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TAGS: EAGR, EEC, IT

SUBJECT: EC AG MINISTERIAL: REMARKS OF ITALIAN MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. JULY 18 ITALIAN PRESS REPORTED AT LENGTH ON ITALIAN AGRICULTURE MINISTER MARIO FERRARI AGGRADI'S PRESS CONFERENCE AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE JULY 16-17 AG MINISTERIAL MEETING.

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2. FERRARI AGGRANDI DESCRIBED US MEASURES LIMITING AGRICULTURAL

EXPORTS QA QTE SEROUS UNQTE AND NOTED THAT THE USG HAS APPARENTLY MADE COMMITMENTS TO THE USSR AND CHINA ON THE EXPORT OF THESE PRODUCTS BUT HAS NOT APPEARED TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE DIFFICULTIES CAUSED FOR EUROPE. HE PLACED GREAT IMPORTANCE ON FORTHCOMING LARDINOIS VISIT TO US, MENTIONING NEED TO SPEAK FRANKLY TO AMERICA SO THAT USG CAN REGAIN CONRTROL OF SITUATION QTE IN THE FRAMEWORK OF SOLIDARITY WITH EUROPE UNQTE AND STATING QTE WE TRUST THERE ARE POSSIBLE ACCORDS TO RESTORE COOPERATON WHICH TAKES CARE OF THE COMMUNITIES NEEDS IN MATTERS OF SUPPLIES UNQTE.

3. FERRARI AGGRANDI ALSO EMPHASIZED ITALIAN CONCERN ABOUT INCREASED FOOD PRICES WHICH COULD RESULT FROM US MEASURES. HE SAID ITALY IS AGAINST THE SELF SUFFICIENCY SOLUTION PROPOSED BY FRANCE -- PRIMARILY BECAUSE OF THE HIGHER PRICES IT WOULD REQUIRE -- BUT NOTED THAT, WITHOUT ADEQUATE US ASSURANCES ON SUPPLIES, AUTARCHY MAY BE THE ONLY SOLUTION.

4. CORRIERE DELLA SERA REPORTED FRENCH WORKED HARD AT BRUSSELS TO SECURE ITALIAN SUPPORT FOR FRENCH SELF SUFFICIENCY PROPOSAL, BUT DID NOT INDICATE WHAT FRENCH MIGHT HAVE OFFERED IN RETURN FOR ITALIAN SUPPORT.END UNCLASSIFIED

5.BEGIN LOU. EMBASSY WISHES TO EMPHASIZE IMPORTANCE WHICH GOI ATTACHES TO LARDINOIS VISIT. RESULTS THIS VISIT WILL INFLUENCE ITALIAN POLICY, WHICH IS STILL IN STATE OF FLUX . END LOU.  
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